tional organic production program established under the Organic Foods Production Act of 1990 (7 U.S.C. 6501 et seq.).

(b) Federal share

(1) In general

Subject to paragraph (2), the Secretary shall pay under this section not more than 75 percent of the costs incurred by a producer or handler in obtaining certification under the national organic production program, as certified to and approved by the Secretary.

(2) Maximum amount

The maximum amount of a payment made to a producer or handler under this section shall be \$750.

(c) Reporting

Not later than March 1 of each year, the Secretary shall submit to the Committee on Agriculture of the House of Representatives and the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry of the Senate a report that describes the requests by, disbursements to, and expenditures for each State under the program during the current and previous fiscal year, including the number of producers and handlers served by the program in the previous fiscal year.

(Pub. L. 107–171, title X, \$10606, May 13, 2002, 116 Stat. 514; Pub. L. 110–234, title X, \$10301, May 22, 2008, 122 Stat. 1346; Pub. L. 110–246, \$4(a), title X, \$10301, June 18, 2008, 122 Stat. 1664, 2108.)

References in Text

The Organic Foods Production Act of 1990, referred to in subsec. (a), is title XXI of Pub. L. 101-624, Nov. 28, 1990, 104 Stat. 3935, as amended, which is classified generally to this chapter. For complete classification of this Act to the Code, see Short Title note set out under section 6501 of this title and Tables

CODIFICATION

Pub. L. 110–234 and Pub. L. 110–246 made identical amendments to this section. The amendments by Pub. L. 110–234 were repealed by section 4(a) of Pub. L. 110–246

Section was enacted as part of the Farm Security and Rural Investment Act of 2002, and not as part of the Organic Foods Production Act of 1990 which comprises this chapter.

AMENDMENTS

2008—Subsec. (a). Pub. L. 110–246, \$10301(1), substituted ''\$22,000,000 for fiscal year 2008'' for ''\$5,000,000 for fiscal year 2002''.

Subsec. (b)(2). Pub. L. 110-246, 10301(2), substituted "\$750" for "\$500".

Subsec. (c). Pub. L. 110-246, §10301(3), added subsec. (c).

EFFECTIVE DATE OF 2008 AMENDMENT

Amendment of this section and repeal of Pub. L. 110-234 by Pub. L. 110-246 effective May 22, 2008, the date of enactment of Pub. L. 110-234, see section 4 of Pub. L. 110-246, set out as an Effective Date note under section 8701 of this title.

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SUBCHAPTER I—FORESTRY RURAL REVITALIZATION

§ 6601. Forestry rural revitalization

(a) Establishment of economic development and global marketing program

The Secretary of Agriculture, acting through the National Institute of Food and Agriculture and the Cooperative Extension System, and in consultation with the Forest Service, shall establish and implement educational programs and provide technical assistance to assist businesses, industries, and policymakers to create jobs, raise incomes, and increase public revenues in manners consistent with environmental concerns.

(b) Activities

Each program established under subsection (a) of this section shall—

- (1) transfer technologies to natural resourcebased industries in the United States to make such industries more efficient, productive, and competitive;
- (2) assist businesses to identify global marketing opportunities, conduct business on an international basis, and market themselves more effectively; and
- (3) train local leaders in strategic community economic development.

(c) Types of programs

The Secretary of Agriculture shall establish specific programs under subsection (a) of this section to—

- (1) deliver educational services focused on community economic analysis, economic diversification, economic impact analysis, retention and expansion of existing commodity and noncommodity industries, amenity resource and tourism development, and entrepreneurship focusing on forest lands and rural communities;
- (2) use Cooperative Extension System databases and analytical tools to help communities diversify their economic bases, add value locally to raw forest product materials, and retain revenues by helping to develop local businesses and industries to supply forest products locally; and
- (3) use the full resources of the Cooperative Extension System, including land-grant universities and county offices, to promote economic development that is sustainable and environmentally sound.

(d) Rural revitalization technologies

(1) In general

The Secretary of Agriculture, acting through the Chief of the Forest Service, in

consultation with the State and Private Forestry Technology Marketing Unit at the Forest Products Laboratory, and in collaboration with eligible institutions, may carry out a program—

- (A) to accelerate adoption of technologies using biomass and small-diameter materials;
- (B) to create community-based enterprises through marketing activities and demonstration projects; and
- (C) to establish small-scale business enterprises to make use of biomass and small-diameter materials.

(2) Authorization of appropriations

There is authorized to be appropriated to carry out this subsection \$5,000,000 for each of fiscal years 2008 through 2012.

(Pub. L. 101–624, title XXIII, §2371, Nov. 28, 1990, 104 Stat. 4045; Pub. L. 108–148, title II, §202, Dec. 3, 2003, 117 Stat. 1902; Pub. L. 110–234, title VII, §7511(c)(25), title VIII, §8201, May 22, 2008, 122 Stat. 1269, 1290; Pub. L. 110–246, §4(a), title VII, §7511(c)(25), title VIII, §8201, June 18, 2008, 122 Stat. 1664, 2031, 2051.)

CODIFICATION

Pub. L. 110-234 and Pub. L. 110-246 made identical amendments to this section. The amendments by Pub. L. 110-234 were repealed by section 4(a) of Pub. L. 110-246

AMENDMENTS

2008—Subsec. (a). Pub. L. 110-246, \$7511(c)(25)(A), substituted "National Institute of Food and Agriculture" for "Extension Service".

Subsec. (c)(3). Pub. L. 110-246, \$7511(c)(25)(B), substituted "System" for "Service".

Subsec. (d)(2). Pub. L. 110-246, §8201, substituted "2008 through 2012" for "2004 through 2008".

2003—Subsec. (d). Pub. L. 108–148 added subsec. (d).

EFFECTIVE DATE OF 2008 AMENDMENT

Amendment of this section and repeal of Pub. L. 110–234 by Pub. L. 110–246 effective May 22, 2008, the date of enactment of Pub. L. 110–234, except as otherwise provided, see section 4 of Pub. L. 110–246, set out as an Effective Date note under section 8701 of this title

Amendment by section 7511(c)(25) of Pub. L. 110-246 effective Oct. 1, 2009, see section 7511(c) of Pub. L. 110-246, set out as a note under section 1522 of this title.

SHORT TITLE

Section 2372 of Pub. L. 101–624 provided that: "This chapter [chapter 2 (§§ 2372–2379) of subtitle G of title XXIII of Pub. L. 101–624, enacting subchapter II (§ 6611 et seq.) of this chapter] may be cited as the 'National Forest-Dependent Rural Communities Economic Diversification Act of 1990'."

SUBCHAPTER II—NATIONAL FOREST-DEPENDENT RURAL COMMUNITIES

§ 6611. Findings and purposes

(a) Findings

The Congress finds that—

- (1) the economic well-being of rural America is vital to our national growth and prosperity;
- (2) the economic well-being of many rural communities depends upon the goods and services that are derived from National Forest System land;

- (3) the economies of many of these communities suffer from a lack of industrial and business diversity;
- (4) this lack of diversity is particularly serious in communities whose economies are predominantly dependent on timber and recreation resources and where management decisions made on National Forest System land by Federal and private organizations may disrupt the supply of those resources;
- (5) the Forest Service has expertise and resources that could be directed to promote modernization and economic diversification of existing industries and services based on natural resources:
- (6) the Forest Service has the technical expertise to provide leadership, in cooperation with other governmental agencies and the private sector, to assist rural communities dependent upon National Forest System land resources to upgrade existing industries and diversify by developing new economic activity in non-forest-related industries; and
- (7) technical assistance, training, education, and other assistance provided by the Department of Agriculture can be targeted to provide immediate help to those rural communities in greatest need.

(b) Purposes

The purposes of this subchapter are—

- (1) to provide assistance to rural communities that are located in or near National Forest System land and that are economically dependent upon natural resources or are likely to be economically disadvantaged by Federal or private sector land management practices;
- (2) to aid in diversifying such communities economic bases; and
- (3) to improve the economic, social, and environmental well-being of rural America.

(Pub. L. 101-624, title XXIII, §2373, Nov. 28, 1990, 104 Stat. 4046; Pub. L. 106-113, div. B, §1000(a)(3) [title III, §345(a)], Nov. 29, 1999, 113 Stat. 1535, 1501A-203.)

AMENDMENTS

1999—Subsec. (a)(2). Pub. L. 106–113, $\S1000(a)(3)$ [title III, $\S345(a)(1)(A)$], substituted "National Forest System land," for "national forests;".

Subsec. (a)(4). Pub. L. 106-113, \$1000(a)(3) [title III, \$345(a)(1)(B)], substituted "National Forest System land" for "the national forests".

Subsec. (a)(5). Pub. L. 106–113, $\S1000(a)(3)$ [title III, $\S345(a)(1)(C)$], substituted "natural resources;" for "forest resources;".

Subsec. (a)(6). Pub. L. 106–113, §1000(a)(3) [title III, §345(a)(1)(D)], substituted "National Forest System land resources" for "national forest resources".

Subsec. (b)(1). Pub. L. 106–113, §1000(a)(3) [title III, §345(a)(2)], substituted "National Forest System land" for "national forests" and "natural resources" for "forest resources".

§ 6612. Definitions

As used in this subchapter:

- (1) The term "action team" means a rural natural resources and economic diversification action team established by the Secretary pursuant to section 6613(b) of this title.
- (2) The term "economically disadvantaged" means economic hardship due to the loss of